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Mr. William M. Ashby,
212 Bank Street,
Newark, N. J.

Dear Ashby:

For your minutes let me say that a special meeting of the Executive Committee of the Urban League was convoked at 12 o'clock Tuesday, February 15.

Mrs. Munroe and Mrs. Wright and Messrs. King, Powell and Ormond were present. Mr. Nevius arrived after the meeting and Dr. Ellerson and Dr. Wolfe had discussed the question to be taken up by the meeting.

A statement was made by the chairman of the office. Pittsburgh made to Mr. Ashby to become the secretary of the Urban League at an annual salary of \$3500. The possibility of losing Mr. Ashby was considered from many angles and with unanimous expressions of appreciation of his leadership in all things pertaining to the welfare of his race in this community; his organizing and administrative ability in the conduct of the New Jersey Urban League for eight years; his ability to make influential and financial friends for the cause and his indispensableness to our enterprise in this Tenth Anniversary Year, particularly in our attempt to pay off the mortgage. A motion was passed unanimously increasing his salary to \$3300. per year, the increase to be paid when available. This motion was also concurred in by Mr. Nevius, who came after the meeting, and Dr. Ellerson and Dr. Wolfe in previous interviews.

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Very truly yours,

Carl Bannwald

P.S. I don't want another Lincoln's Birthday to go by without having that little brochure by Dean Charles Reynolds Brown on Abraham Lincoln on my library shelf. Please give me the name of the publisher of that little thing and I will place an order with the book-seller for it.